

Boys Take Hike; Upset Families Summon Police

The urge to take a little walk, which overcame three Birmingham boys last Thursday, turned into quite a bit of excitement before their travels were over.

David Pomeroy, 7, of 1320 Dorchester; Fred Bryant, 7, of 1292 Yorkshire and John Brown, 8, of 1321 Yorkshire, felt the call of new scenes quite early in the morning and started out.

Nothing especially was on their minds as they wandered, enjoying the bright sun, fresh air and close companionship. They strolled along and eventually found themselves quite far from home—as far, in fact, as Springdale Park.

Well, when a fellow goes to a park that is a golf course, he may as well do something about it so the boys joined the ranks of the caddies.

BACK AT THE home base, all was not well. One of the mothers had discovered her son and his pals had strayed beyond the sound of the maternal voice and the range of the maternal eye. A sister was dispatched to round up the trio at about 10 a.m.

An hour later she reported her mission a failure, so mother took to the field with the same results.

At this time the police entered the scene, Sgt. Leo Stiers being summoned by the anxious mother.

The sergeant listened to the description of the three and recalled having seen such a group on the Adams road viaduct, at the Grand Tripp crossing.

WHAT INSTINCT sent the sergeant to the park and golf course is unknown, but there he went and there he found his quarry.

Somewhat amazed at having created such a fuss, the lads explained that they had only wanted to take a little walk—Fred recalled telling his mother that that is what they planned to take a little hike.

When the search was complete and everyone settled enough to talk about such things as work the boys revealed that they had caddied for two men and received two golf balls in payment.

The treasure will be turned over to the neighborhood club to which the boys belong.

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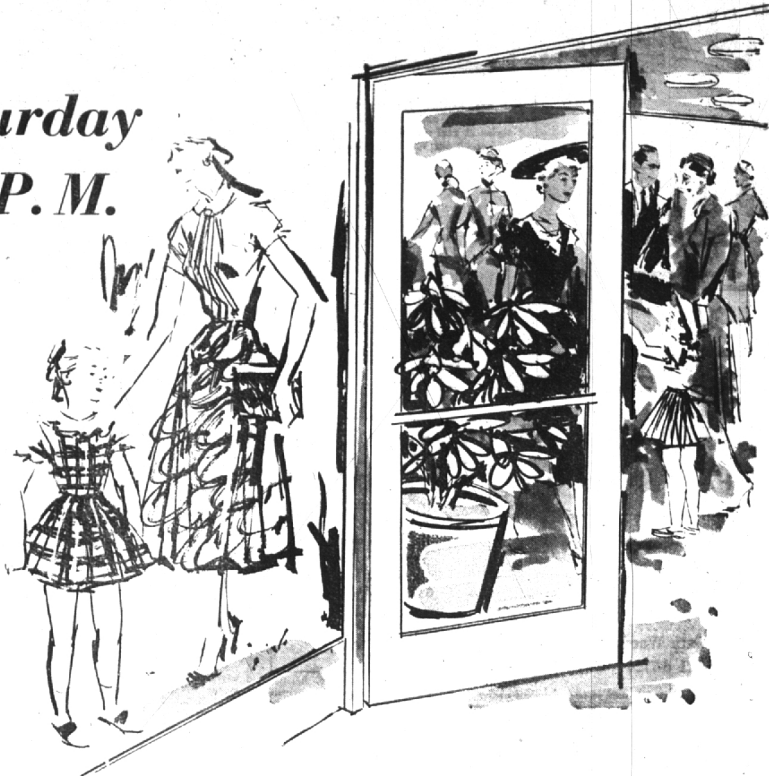
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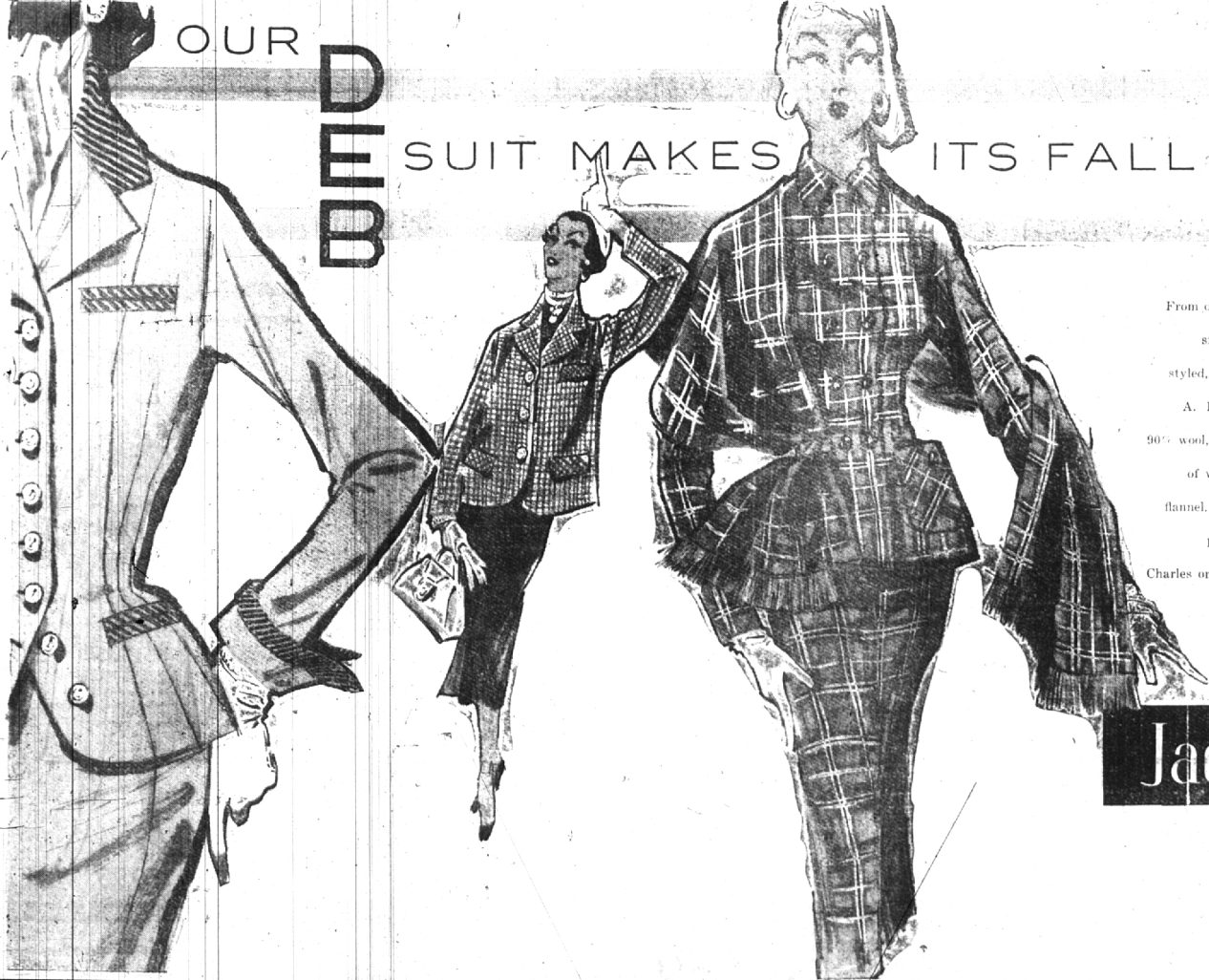
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